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# Transmittal Letter New Utility Patent Application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) Plural Inventors

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the above-identified new utility patent application.

#### Enclosed are:

- 1. This Transmittal Form including Fee Authorization and a duplicate for fee processing.
- 2. A Specification having a total of thirty-five (35) pages, including a one (1) page Abstract and forty-five (45) claims.
- 3. Eleven (11) sheets of drawings.
- 4. A Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- An assignment of this invention, including a 37 CFR 3.73(b) statement, to Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. and completed Form PTO 1595 Recordation Form Cover Sheet. Please charge the \$40.00 assignment recording fee, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.21(h), to Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. deposit account number 11-0875.
- 6. And, if indicated:

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### CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I, Mary L. Roberts, hereby certify that on December 31, 2003 the aforementioned documents are being deposited with the United States Postal Service, postage prepaid, Express Mail No. ER173809043US in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Patent Application, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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